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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Parts 100 and 165

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Special Local Regulations and Safety Zones; Recurring Marine Events and Fireworks Displays within the Fifth Coast Guard District

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Interim final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is amending the regulations established for recurring marine events and fireworks displays that take place within the Fifth Coast Guard District area of responsibility. This interim rule revises the listing of events that informs the public of regularly scheduled marine parades, regattas, other organized water events, and fireworks displays that require additional safety measures provided by regulations. Through this rule, the list of recurring marine events requiring special local regulations or safety zones is updated with revisions, additional events, and removal of events that no longer take place in the Fifth Coast Guard District. When these regulations are enforced, certain restrictions are placed on marine traffic in specified areas. This rulemaking project promotes efficiency by eliminating the need to produce a separate rule for each individual recurring event, and serves to provide notice of the known recurring events requiring a special local regulation or safety zone throughout the year. We invite your comments on this rulemaking.

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DATES: This rule is effective without actual notice from [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. For the purposes of enforcement, actual notice will be used from the date the rule was signed, April 5, 2016, until [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before [INSERT DATE 90 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG-2015-0854 using the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov. See the "Public Participation and Request for Comments" portion of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for further instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this rulemaking, call or email Dennis Sens, Fifth Coast Guard District, Prevention Division, (757) 398-6204, Dennis.M.Sens@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

COTP Captain of the Port

DHS Department of Homeland Security

FR Federal Register

NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking

§ Section

U.S.C. United States Code

II. Regulatory History and Information

The special local regulations listed in 33 CFR 100.501 and safety zones in 33 CFR 165.506 were last amended on April 16, 2015, (80 FR 20418). The Coast Guard is issuing this interim final rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under

section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are "impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest."

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because immediate action is necessary to protect the maritime public during certain marine events. The potential dangers posed by certain marine events and fireworks displays conducted on waterways in close proximity to other vessel traffic makes special local regulations and safety zones necessary to provide for the safety of participants, spectator craft, and other vessels transiting the event area. Accordingly, waiting for a comment period to run would be contrary to the public interest of protecting life and property. In addition, publishing an NPRM is impracticable because the necessary information regarding these annual recurring marine events and fireworks displays was not available in sufficient time to ensure accurate and up to date listings to allow for a comment period prior to the events.

For the same reasons, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>. Additionally, providing a 30-day notice would unnecessarily delay the effective dates for the events listed to occur in May and June of 2016, which are also noticed to the public through local media outlets, and are planned on by the local communities where they take place.

This interim rule is effective upon publication without prior notice through publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>, however we invite comments regarding the updated list of marine events.

The Coast Guard will address all comments accordingly, whether through response, additional

revision to the regulations, or otherwise.

This rule is prepared to provide the most up to date list of recurring marine events, special local regulations and safety zones, provides ample notice for all listed events occurring after May 2016. Additionally, these recurring events are noticed to the public through local media and planned on by the local communities in which they take place.

The current lists of annual and recurring special local regulations and safety zones for marine events and fireworks displays within the Fifth Coast Guard District area of responsibility (AOR) are published under 33 CFR part 100.501 and part 165.506, respectively. These lists were last updated April 16, 2015 through a previous rulemaking (80 FR 20418), and generated no adverse comments. Like this interim rule, the April 2015 rule added to, removed from, and amended 33 CFR 100.501 and 33 CFR 165.506 to create a comprehensive list of recurring marine events and fireworks displays requiring special local regulations and safety zones.

III. Background, Purpose, and Legal Basis

The Coast Guard regularly updates special local regulations and safety zones established for recurring marine events and fireworks displays that take place either on or over the navigable waters of the United States. Under that rule, the list of recurring marine events requiring special local regulations or safety zones is updated with revisions, additional events, and removal of events that no longer take place within the Fifth Coast Guard District. The Fifth Coast Guard District area of responsibility is defined in 33 CFR 3.25.

The purpose of this rulemaking is to ensure the safety of persons, vessels and the navigable waters within close proximity to marine events and or fireworks displays before, during, and after the scheduled event. Publishing these regulatory updates in a single rulemaking promotes administrative efficiency and reduces costs involved in producing a separate rule for

each individual recurring event. This action also provides the public with notice through publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> of future recurring marine events and fireworks displays and their accompanying regulations, special local regulations and safety zones. This rule provides separate tables for each Coast Guard Sector within the Fifth Coast Guard District. The Coast Guard issues this rulemaking under authority in 33 U.S.C. 1231; 33 U.S.C. 1233; 50 U.S.C. 191; 33 CFR 1.05–1, 6.04–1, 6.04–6, and 160.5; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.

IV. Discussion of Rule

Special Local Regulations

This rule adds 4 new special local regulations for marine events, removes 7 regulations and revises 18 previously established regulations for marine events listed in the Table to § 100.501. Other than changes to the dates and locations of certain events, the other provisions in 33 CFR 100.501 remain unchanged.

This rule provides additional information about regulated areas and the restrictions that apply to mariners and new terms including "Race Area", "Spectator Area" and "Buffer Zone".

The 24 hour contact phone numbers are updated for Coast Guard Sectors Delaware Bay and North Carolina.

The Coast Guard revises regulations at 33 CFR 100.501 by adding 4 new special local regulations. The special local regulations are listed in TABLE 1, including reference by section as printed in the TABLE to § 100.501.

TABLE 1
[Special local regulated areas added to 33 CFR 100.501]

Table to § 100.501 section Location

1.	(b.) 22.	Choptank River, Cambridge, MD	
2.	(b.) 23.	Breton Bay, Leonardtown, MD	
3.	(b.) 24.	Patapsco River, Baltimore, MD	
4.	(d.) 1.	Atlantic ICW, Lees Cut, Banks Channel, Motts Channel, surrounding Harbor Island, NC	

The Coast Guard amends regulations at 33 CFR 100.501 by disestablishing the following 7 special local regulated areas listed in TABLE 2.

[Special local regulated areas removed from 33 CFR 100.501]

TABLE 2

	Date(s)	Event	Regulated Area
1.	September – 2 nd , 3 rd or 4 th Friday, Saturday and Sunday; October – 1 st Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Sunset Lake Hydrofest	All waters of Sunset Lake, New Jersey, from shoreline to shoreline, south of latitude 38°58′32″ N.
2.	October – 2 nd Saturday and Sunday.	The Liberty Grand Prix	The waters of the Delaware River, adjacent to Philadelphia, PA and Camden, NJ, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the south by the Walt Whitman Bridge and bounded on the north by the Benjamin Franklin Bridge.
3.	June—2nd, 3rd, 4th or last Saturday and Sunday or August—1st Saturday and Sunday.	Thunder on the Narrows	All waters of Prospect Bay enclosed by the following points: latitude 38°57′52″ N, longitude 076°14′48″ W, thence to latitude 38°58′02″ N, longitude 076°15′05″ W, thence to latitude 38°57′38″ N, longitude 076°15′29″ W, thence to latitude 38°57′28″ N, longitude 076°15′23″ W, thence to point of origin at latitude 38°57′52″ N, longitude 076°14′48″ W.
4.	September—2nd, 3rd or 4th Friday, Saturday and Sunday. October—1st Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Chesapeake Challenge/Solomons Offshore Grand Prix	All waters of the Patuxent River, within boundary lines connecting the following positions; originating near north entrance of MD Route 4 bridge, latitude 38°19'45" N, longitude 076°28'06" W, thence southwest to south entrance of MD Route 4 bridge, latitude 38°19'24" N, longitude 076°28'30" W, thence south to a point near the shoreline, latitude 38°18'32" N, longitude 076°28'14" W, thence southeast to a point near the shoreline, latitude 38°17'38" N, longitude 076°27'26" W, thence northeast to latitude 38°18'00" N, longitude 076°26'41" W, thence northwest to latitude 38°18'59" N, longitude 076°27'20" W, located at Solomons, MD, thence continuing northwest and

		parallel to shoreline to point of origin.
June – 1 st Saturday and Sunday.	ž – <u>–</u>	The specified waters of Pasquotank River near Elizabeth City, NC
Saturday and Sunday.		The specified waters of the Pamlico River including Chocowinity Bay, NC
September – 3 rd and or 4 th or last Sunday.		The specified waters of Bogue Sound, adjacent to Morehead City, NC

This rule revises 18 preexisting special local regulations that involves change to marine event date(s) and/or coordinates. These events are listed in TABLE 3, with reference by section as printed in the TABLE to § 100.501.

TABLE 3
[Changes to special local regulation date(s) and coordinates]

	Table to § 100.501 section	Location	Revision (date/coordinates)
1.	(a.) 4.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Atlantic City, NJ	coordinates
2.	(a.) 6.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Seaside Heights – Normandy Beach, NJ	coordinates
3.	(a.) 7.	Manasquan River and N. Atlantic Ocean, Asbury Park – Seaside Park, NJ	dates, coordinates
4.	(a.) 8.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Atlantic City, NJ	dates
5.	(a.) 12.	New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway, near Atlantic City, NJ	dates
6.	(b.) 1.	Severn River, Annapolis, MD	coordinates
7.	(b.) 2.	Severn River, Annapolis, MD	dates
8.	(b.) 7.	Severn River, Annapolis, MD	coordinates
9.	(b.) 10.	Nanticoke River, Sharptown, MD	coordinates
10.	(b.) 17.	Spa Creek, Severn River, Annapolis, MD	coordinates
11.	(b.) 18.	Patuxent River, Solomons, MD	dates
12.	(b.) 19.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Ocean City, MD	dates, coordinates
13.	(b.) 20.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Ocean City, MD	date, coordinates
14.	(c.) 1.	Sunset Creek, Hampton River, Hampton, VA	dates
15.	(c.) 4	Rappahannock River, Layton, VA	coordinates
16.	(c.) 6.	Mill Creek, Hampton, VA coordinates	
17.	(c.) 8	Back River, Poquoson, VA dates, coordinates	

Based on the nature of marine events, large number of participants and spectators, and event locations, the Coast Guard has determined that the events listed in this rule could pose a risk to participants or waterway users if normal vessel traffic were to interfere with the event. Possible hazards include risks of injury or death resulting from near or actual contact among participant vessels and spectator vessels or mariners traversing through the regulated area. In order to protect the safety of all waterway users including event participants and spectators, this rule establishes special local regulations for the time and location of each marine event.

This rule provides designated spectator areas for commercial small passenger vessels at certain marine event(s). The purpose of a commercial small passenger vessel spectator area is to ensure the safe operation of commercial vessels that carry a greater number of passengers onboard and operating within the widespread, high capacity spectator fleet at marine events. These spectator areas facilitate direct and unobstructed accesses for first responders should an emergency occur aboard one of the higher capacity commercial passenger vessels. Commercial passenger vessels holding a valid Certificate of Inspection issued under 46 CFR §§114.110, and 175.110, (subchapter K or T vessels) are eligible for access to the designated spectator area as directed by the marine event Patrol Commander.

Owners or operators of vessels that meet the requirements of subchapter K or T vessels may request access to the Severn River spectator area for the U.S. Naval Academy Blue Angels Air Show by contacting the City of Annapolis Harbormaster Office, at telephone (410) 263-7973 or email at harbormaster@annapolis.gov. Application must be made no later than seven days prior to the date of the event. Applicants will be notified by the Captain of the Port or

representative regarding status of applications generally the Friday before the date of the event.

Owners or operators of vessels that meet the requirements of subchapter K or T vessels may request access to the Patapsco River spectator area for the Baltimore Air Show by contacting Sail Baltimore at telephone (410) 522-7300 or email at info@sailbaltimore.org. Application must be made no later than ten days prior to the date of the event. Applicants will be notified by the Captain of the Port or representative regarding status of applications generally the Friday before the date of the event.

This rule prevents vessels from entering, transiting, mooring or anchoring within areas specifically designated as regulated areas during the periods of enforcement unless authorized by the Captain of the Port (COTP), or designated Coast Guard Patrol Commander. The designated "Patrol Commander" includes Coast Guard commissioned, warrant, or petty officer who has been designated by the COTP to act on their behalf. On-scene patrol commander may be augmented by local, State or Federal officials authorized to act in support of the Coast Guard.

Safety Zones

This rule adds 4 new safety zones, and revises 22 previously established safety zones listed in the Table to § 165.506. Other than changes to the dates and locations of certain safety zones, the other provisions in 33 CFR 165.506 remain unchanged.

The Coast Guard revises the regulations at 33 CFR 165.506 by adding 4 new safety zone locations to the permanent regulations listed in this section. The new safety zones are listed in TABLE 4, including reference by section as printed in the Table to § 165.506.

TABLE 4

[Safety zones added to 33 CFR 165.506]

Table to § 165.506	Location
section	Double

1.	(a.) 17	N. Atlantic Ocean, Sea Isle City, NJ	
2.	(a.) 18	Rehoboth Bay, Dewey Beach, DE	
3.	(b.) 27	Chester River, Kent Island Narrows, MD	
4.	(b.) 28	Susquehanna River, Havre de Grace, MD	

The rule revises 22 preexisting safety zones that involves change to event date(s) and coordinates. These revised safety zones are shown in Table 5, with reference by section as printed in the Table to § 165.506.

TABLE 5
[Changes to safety zone date(s) and coordinates]

	Table to § 165.506 Section	Location	Revision (date / coordinates)
1.	(a.) 1.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Bethany Beach, DE	dates
2.	(a.) 3.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Rehoboth Beach, DE	dates
3.	(a.) 4.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Avalon, NJ	dates
4.	(a.) 5.	Barnegat Bay, Barnegat Township, NJ	dates
5.	(a.) 6.	N. Atlantic Ocean, Cape May, NJ	dates
6.	(a.) 7.	Delaware Bay, North Cape May, NJ	dates
7.	(a.) 8.	Great Egg Harbor Inlet, Margate City, NJ	dates
8.	(a.) 9	Metedeconk River, Brick Township, NJ	dates
9.	(a.) 10	N. Atlantic Ocean, Atlantic City, NJ	dates
10.	(a.) 11	N. Atlantic Ocean, Ocean City, NJ	dates
11.	(a.) 13	Little Egg Harbor, Parker Island, NJ	dates
12.	(a.) 16	Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA	dates
13.	(b.) 2	Severn River and Spa Creek, Annapolis, MD	coordinates
14.	(b.) 4	Upper Potomac River, Washington, D.C.	dates/coordinates
15.	(b.) 5	Northwest Harbor (East Channel), Patapsco River, MD	coordinates
16.	(b.) 12	Potomac River, Fairview Beach, Charles County, MD	dates
17.	(b.) 16	Susquehanna River, Havre de Grace, MD	dates
18.	(b.) 20	Upper Potomac River, Washington, D.C. dates	
19.	(b.) 22	Potomac River, Prince William County, VA dates/coordinate	
20.	(c.) 9	North Atlantic Ocean, Virginia Beach, VA (safety zone A)	dates

21.	(c.) 18	Cape Charles Harbor, Cape Charles, VA	dates
22.	(c.) 23	Elizabeth River Eastern Branch, Norfolk, VA	dates

Each year, organizations in the Fifth Coast Guard District sponsor fireworks displays in the same general location and time period. Each event uses a barge or an on-shore site near the shoreline as the fireworks launch platform. A safety zone is used to control vessel movement within a specified distance surrounding the launch platforms to ensure the safety of persons and property. Coast Guard personnel on scene may allow boaters within the safety zone if conditions permit.

The enforcement period for these safety zones is from 5:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. local time. However, vessels may enter, remain in, or transit through these safety zones during this time frame if authorized by the COTP or designated Coast Guard patrol commander on scene, as provided for in 33 CFR 165.23. This rule provides for the safety of life on navigable waters during the events. The regulatory text we are proposing appears at the end of this document.

V. Regulatory Analyses

We developed this rule after considering numerous statutes and executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on a number of these statutes and executive orders, and we discuss First Amendment rights of protestors.

A. Regulatory Planning and Review

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess the costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits. Executive Order 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility.

This rule has not been designated a "significant regulatory action," under Executive Order 12866.

Accordingly, the rule has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

This regulatory action determination is based on the short amount of time that vessels will be restricted from regulated areas, and the small size of these areas that are usually positioned away from high vessel traffic zones. Generally vessels would not be precluded from getting underway, or mooring at any piers or marinas currently located in the vicinity of the regulated areas. Advance notifications would also be made to the local maritime community by issuance of Local Notice to Mariners, Broadcast Notice to Mariners, Marine information and facsimile broadcasts so mariners can adjust their plans accordingly. Notifications to the public for most events will typically be made by local newspapers, radio and TV stations. The Coast Guard anticipates that these special local regulated areas and safety zones will only be enforced one to three times per year.

B. Impact on Small Entities

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, as amended, requires Federal agencies to consider the potential impact of regulations on small entities during rulemaking. The term "small entities" comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000. The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

While some owners or operators of vessels intending to transit the regulated areas or safety zones may be small entities, for the reasons stated in section IV.A above this rule would not have a significant economic impact on any vessel owner or operator. However this rule will affect the following entities some of which may be small entities: The owners and operators of

vessels intending to transit or anchor in these regulated areas during the times the zones are enforced.

These special local regulated areas and safety zones will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for the following reasons: The Coast Guard will ensure that small entities are able to operate in the areas where events are occurring to the extent possible while ensuring the safety of event participants and spectators. The enforcement period will be short in duration and, in many of the areas, vessels can transit safely around the regulated area. Generally, blanket permission to enter, remain in, or transit through these regulated areas will be given, except during the period that the Coast Guard patrol vessel is present. Before the enforcement period, we will issue maritime advisories widely.

If you think that your business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction qualifies as a small entity and that this rule would have a significant economic impact on it, please submit a comment (see ADDRESSES) explaining why you think it qualifies and how and to what degree this rule would economically affect it.

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-121), we want to assist small entities in understanding this rule. If the rule would affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions concerning its provisions or options for compliance, please contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. The Coast Guard will not retaliate against small entities that question or complain about this rule or any policy or action of the Coast Guard.

C. Collection of Information

This rule would not call for a new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520).

D. Federalism and Indian Tribal Governments

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, if it has a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. We have analyzed this rule under that Order and have determined that it is consistent with the fundamental federalism principles and preemption requirements described in Executive Order 13132.

Also, this rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175,

Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it would not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes. If you believe this rule has implications for federalism or Indian tribes, please contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section above.

E. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531-1538) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$100,000,000 (adjusted for inflation) or more in any one year. Though this rule would not result in such an expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

F. Environment

We have analyzed this rule under Department of Homeland Security Management

Directive 023-01 and Commandant Instruction M16475.lD, which guide the Coast Guard in

complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321-4370f), and

have made a preliminary determination that this action is one of a category of actions that do not

individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment.

This rule involves implementation of regulations within 33 CFR Part 100 that apply to organized marine events on the navigable waters of the United States. Some marine events by their nature may introduce potential for adverse impact on the safety or other interest of waterway users or waterfront infrastructure within or close proximity to the event area. The category of water activities includes but is not limited to sail boat regattas, boat parades, power boat racing, swimming events, crew racing, and sail board racing. This section of the rule is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph 34(h) of Figure 2-1 of the Commandant Instruction. An environmental analysis checklist supporting this determination and a Categorical Exclusion Determination are not required for this section of the rule.

This rule involves implementation of regulations at 33 CFR Part 165 that establish safety zones on navigable waters of the United States for fireworks events. These safety zones are enforced for the duration of fireworks display events. The fireworks are generally launched from or immediately adjacent to navigable waters of the United States. The category of activities includes fireworks launched from barges or at the shoreline that generally rely on the use of navigable waters as a safety buffer. Fireworks displays may introduce potential hazards such as accidental discharge of fireworks, dangerous projectiles, and falling hot embers or other debris. This section of the rule is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph 34(g) of

Figure 2-1 of the Commandant Instruction. A preliminary environmental analysis checklist supporting this determination and a Categorical Exclusion Determination are available in the docket where indicated under ADDRESSES. We seek any comments or information that may lead to the discovery of a significant environmental impact from this rule.

G. Protest Activities

The Coast Guard respects the First Amendment rights of protesters. Protesters are asked to contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section to coordinate protest activities so that your message can be received without jeopardizing the safety or security of people, places, or vessels.

VI. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We view public participation as essential to effective rulemaking, and will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. Your comment can help shape the outcome of this rulemaking. If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this rulemaking, indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation.

We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov. If your material cannot be submitted using http://www.regulations.gov, contact the person in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions.

We accept anonymous comments. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and the docket, you may review a Privacy Act notice regarding the Federal

Docket Management System in the March 24, 2005, issue of the Federal Register (70 FR

15086).

Documents mentioned in this rule as being available in the docket, and all public

comments, will be in our online docket at http://www.regulations.gov and can be viewed by

following that website's instructions. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign up for

email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted or a final rule is published.

List of Subjects

33 CFR Part 100

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements,

Waterways.

33 CFR Part 165

Harbors, Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements,

Security measures, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR parts 100 and

165 as follows:

PART 100--SAFETY OF LIFE ON NAVIGABLE WATERS

1. The authority citation for part 100 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1233.

2. Revise § 100.501 to read as follows:

§ 100.501 Special Local Regulations; Marine Events within the Fifth Coast Guard District.

The following regulations apply to the marine events listed in the Table to §100.501.

These regulations will be effective annually, for the duration of each event listed in the Table to

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§100.501. Annual notice of the exact dates and times of the effective period of the regulation with respect to each event, the geographical area, and details concerning the nature of the event and the number of participants and type(s) of vessels involved will be published in Local Notices to Mariners and via Broadcast Notice to Mariners over VHF-FM marine band radio.

- (a) <u>Definitions</u>. The following definitions apply to this section:
- (1) <u>Coast Guard Patrol Commander</u>. A Patrol Commander (PATCOM) is a commissioned, warrant, or petty officer of the Coast Guard who has been designated by the respective Coast Guard Sector—Captain of the Port to enforce these regulations.
- (2) Official Patrol means any vessel assigned or approved by the respective Captain of the Port with a commissioned, warrant, or petty officer on board and displaying a Coast Guard ensign.
- (3) <u>Spectators</u>. All persons and vessels not registered with the event sponsor as participants or official patrol vessels.
- (4) Regulated area as used in this section means an area where Special local regulations apply to a specific described waterway to include creeks, sounds, bays, rivers and oceans.

 Regulated areas include all waters of a specific body of water described with intent to define boundaries where Coast Guard enforces Special local regulations. Boundaries may be described from shoreline to shoreline, reference bridges or other fixed structures, by points and lines defined by latitude and longitude. All coordinates reference Datum: NAD 1983.
- (b) Marine Event Patrol. The Coast Guard may assign a marine event patrol, as described in §100.40 of this part, to each regulated event listed in the table. Additionally, a Patrol Commander may be assigned to oversee the patrol. The marine event patrol and Patrol Commander may be contacted on VHF-FM Channel 16. The Coast Guard Patrol Commander

may terminate the event, or the operation of any vessel participating in the marine event, at any time if deemed necessary for the protection of life or property. Only designated marine event participants and their vessels and official patrol vessels are authorized to enter the regulated area.

- (c) <u>Special local regulations</u>. (1) The Coast Guard Patrol Commander or designated marine event patrol may forbid and control the movement of all vessels in the regulated area(s). When hailed or signaled by an official patrol vessel, a vessel in these areas shall immediately comply with the directions given. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the area, citation for failure to comply, or both.
 - (2) The operator of any vessel in the regulated area shall:
- (i) Stop the vessel immediately when directed to do so by any Official Patrol and then proceed only as directed.
 - (ii) All persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the Official Patrol.
- (iii) When authorized to transit the regulated area, all vessels shall proceed at the minimum speed necessary to maintain a safe course that minimizes wake near the race course.
- (3) Race area. This is an area described by a line bound by coordinates provided in latitude and longitude that outlines the boundary of a race area within the regulated area defined by this part. Only event sponsor designated participants or designated participating vessels and official patrol vessels are allowed to enter the race area. Persons or vessel operators may request authorization to enter, transit through, anchor in, or remain within the regulated area by contacting the Patrol Commander on VHF-FM Channel 16.
- (4) <u>Spectator area</u>. This is an area described by a line bound by coordinates provided in latitude and longitude that outlines the boundary of a spectator area within the regulated area defined by this part. Spectators are only allowed inside the regulated area if they remain within a

designated spectator area. All spectator vessels shall be anchored or operate at a No Wake Speed within the designated spectator area. On scene designated PATCOM representatives will direct spectator vessels to the spectator area. Spectators may contact the Coast Guard Patrol Commander to request permission to pass through the regulated area. If permission is granted, spectators must pass directly through the regulated area at safe speed and without loitering.

- (5) <u>Buffer area</u>. This is a neutral zone that surrounds the perimeter of a Race Area or Marine Event Area within the regulated area described by this part. The purpose of a buffer zone is to minimize potential collision conflicts with marine event participants or race boats and spectator vessels or nearby transiting vessels. This zone provides separation between a Race Area or Marine Event Area and a specified Spectator Area or other vessels that are operating in the vicinity of the Special local regulated area for marine event.
- (6) Spectators are only allowed inside the regulated area if they remain within a designated spectator area. Spectators may contact the Coast Guard Patrol Commander to request permission to either enter the Spectator Area or pass through the regulated area. If permission is granted, spectators may enter the Spectator Area or must pass directly through the regulated area as instructed by PATCOM at safe speed and without loitering.
- (d) <u>Contact information</u>. Questions about marine events should be addressed to the local Coast Guard Captain of the Port for the area in which the marine event is occurring. Contact information is listed below. For a description of the geographical area of each Coast Guard Sector—Captain of the Port zone, please see subpart 3.25 of this chapter.
- (1) Coast Guard Sector Delaware Bay—Captain of the Port Zone, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: (215) 271-4940.
 - (2) Coast Guard Sector Baltimore—Captain of the Port Zone, Baltimore, Maryland: (410)

576-2525.

- (3) Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads—Captain of the Port Zone, Norfolk, Virginia: (757) 483-8567.
- (4) Coast Guard Sector North Carolina—Captain of the Port Zone North Carolina: (877) 229-0770 or (910) 362-4015.
- (e) <u>Application for marine events</u>. The application requirements of §100.15 of this part apply to all marine events listed in the Table to §100.501. For information on applying for a marine event permit, contact the Captain of the Port for the area in which the marine event will occur, at the phone numbers listed above.
- (f) Enforcement periods. The enforcement periods for each of the Special local regulations listed in the Table to § 100.501 of this section are subject to change, but the duration of enforcement would remain the same or nearly the same total amount of time as stated in its table. In the event of a change, or for enforcement periods listed that do not allow a specific date or dates to be determined, the Captain of the Port will provide notice by publishing a Notice of Enforcement in the Federal Register, as well as, issuing a Broadcast Notice to Mariners.
- (g) Regulations for specific marine events. (1) Marine event (b.) 7, U.S. Naval Academy Blue Angels Air Show. Severn River spectator area; except for a vessel in an emergency situation, a vessel may not anchor or maintain station within the spectator area described in TABLE TO 100.501 (b.) 7 without the permission of the Captain of the Port or designated Patrol Commander. The Captain of the Port has designated this spectator area for commercial small passenger vessel use. This area is closed except for commercial small passenger vessels holding a valid Certificate of Inspection regulated under 46 CFR chapter I, subchapters K and T (46 CFR 114.110, and 175.110). Vessels that meet the requirements of this section may request access to

the Severn River spectator area by contacting the City of Annapolis Harbormaster at (410) 263-7973 or email harbormaster@annapolis.gov to obtain a vessel spectator area application. Vessel spectator area applications shall be submitted no later than 7 calendar days prior to the event date. Applicants will be notified by the Captain of the Port or representative regarding status of applications and further instructions. All vessels shall contact the Patrol Commander on VHF-FM channels 16 or 22A prior to transiting to the spectator area to confirm entry approval. Vessels approved for spectator area access shall follow the instructions issued by the Patrol Commander when entering the regulated area. The regulations for this event will restrict access to some of the anchorage grounds listed at 33 CFR 110.159, Annapolis Harbor, MD, specifically (2) Middle Ground Anchorage, (3) South Anchorage and (4) Naval Anchorage for Small Craft.

(2) Marine event (b.) 24, Baltimore Air Show. Patapsco River spectator area; except for a vessel in an emergency situation, a vessel may not anchor or hold station within the spectator area described in TABLE TO 100.501 (b.) 24 without the permission of the Captain of the Port or designated Patrol Commander. The Captain of the Port has designated this spectator area for commercial small passenger vessel use. This area is closed except for commercial small passenger vessels holding a valid Certificate of Inspection regulated under 46 CFR chapter I, subchapters K and T (46 CFR 114.110, and 175.110). Vessels that meet the requirements of this section may request access to the Patapsco River spectator area by contacting the Sail Baltimore at (410) 522-7300 or email info@sailbaltimore.org to obtain a vessel spectator area application. Vessel spectator area applications shall be submitted no later than 10 calendar days prior to the event date. Applicants will be notified by the Captain of the Port or representative regarding status of applications and further instructions. All vessels shall contact the Patrol Commander on VHF-FM channels 16 or 22A prior to transiting to the spectator area to confirm entry approval.

Vessels approved for spectator area access shall follow the instructions issued by the Patrol Commander when entering the regulated area.

TABLE TO § 100.501

[All coordinates listed in the Table to § 100.501 reference Datum NAD 1983.]

	(a.) Coast Guard Sector Delaware Bay - COTP Zone				
No.	Enforcement period(s) ¹	Event	Sponsor	Location / Special local regulation area	
1.	June – 1 st Sunday.	Atlantic County Day at the Bay	Atlantic County, New Jersey	The waters of Great Egg Harbor Bay, adjacent to Somers Point, New Jersey, bounded by a line drawn along the following boundaries: the area is bounded to the north by the shoreline along John F. Kennedy Park and Somers Point, New Jersey; bounded to the east by the State Route 52 bridge; bounded to the south by a line that runs along latitude 39°18′00″ N.; and bounded to the west by a line that runs along longitude 074°37′00″ W.	
2.	May – 3 rd Sunday; September – 3 rd Saturday.	Annual Escape from Fort Delaware Triathlon	Escape from Fort Delaware Triathlon, Inc.	All waters of the Delaware River between Pea Patch Island and Delaware City, Delaware, bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 39°36′35.7″ N., longitude 075°35′25.6″ W., thence southeast to latitude 39°34′57.3″ N., longitude 075°33′23.1″ W., thence southwest to latitude 39°34′11.9″ N., longitude 075°34′28.6″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°35′52.4″ N., longitude 075°36′33.9″ W., thence to point of origin.	
3.	June – last Saturday.	Westville Parade of Lights	Borough of Westville and Westville Power Boat	All waters of Big Timber Creek in Westville, New Jersey from shoreline to shoreline bounded on the south from the Route 130 Bridge and to the north by the entrance of the Delaware River.	
4.	June – 4 th Sunday.	OPA Atlantic City Grand Prix	Offshore Performance Assn. (OPA)	Regulated enforcement area – All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean encompassed within the following areas: Race area: All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 39°21′31″ N., longitude 074°24′45″ W., thence east to latitude 39°21′08″ N., longitude 074°24′32″ W., thence southwest to latitude 39°20′21.5″ N., longitude 074°27′04.6″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′45.6″ N., longitude 074°27′11.6″ W., thence northeast parallel to shoreline to point of origin. Buffer area: All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 39°21′46″ N., longitude 074°24′35″ W., thence east to latitude 39°21′06″ N., longitude 074°24′06″ W., thence southwest to latitude 39°20′06″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′40.6″ N., longitude 074°27′31.5″ W., thence northeast along the shoreline to point of origin. Spectator area: All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 39°21′05.6″ N., longitude 074°24′05.8″ W., thence east to latitude 39°20′52.1″ N., longitude 074°23′53.9″ W., thence southeast to latitude 39°19′51.6″ N., longitude 074°27′16.2″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′16.2″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to latitude 39°20′05.6″ N., longitude 074°27′20″ W., thence northwest to point of origin.	
5.	July – on or about July 4 th .	U.S. holiday celebrations	City of Philadelphia	The waters of the Delaware River, adjacent to Philadelphia, PA and Camden, NJ, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the south by the Walt Whitman Bridge and bounded on the north by the Benjamin Franklin Bridge.	
6.	August – 2 nd Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Point Pleasant OPA/NJ Offshore Grand Prix	Offshore Performance Association (OPA) and New Jersey Offshore Racing Assn.	Regulated enforcement area – All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean encompassed within the following areas: Race area: All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 39°59′41″ N., longitude 074°03′20″ W., thence east to latitude 39°59′28″ N., longitude 074°02′15″ W., thence southwest to latitude 39°56′41″ N., longitude 074°02′55″ W., thence west to latitude	

7.	May – 3 rd weekend, Saturday and Sunday.	New Jersey Offshore Grand Prix	Offshore Performance Assn. & New Jersey Offshore Racing Assn.	39°56′45″ N., longitude 074°03′52″ W., thence north parallel to shoreline to point of origin. Buffer area : All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 40°00′00″ N., longitude 074°03′31″ W., thence east to latitude 39°59′41″ N., longitude 074°02′00″ W., thence southwest to latitude 39°56′28″ N., longitude 074°02′43″ W., thence west to latitude 39°56′31″ N., longitude 074°02′43″ W., thence north along the shoreline to point of origin. Spectator area : All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 39°59′41″ N., longitude 074°01′59″ W., thence east to latitude 39°59′39″ N., longitude 074°01′48″ W., thence southwest to latitude 39°56′27″ N., longitude 074°02′29″ W., thence west to latitude 39°56′28″ N., longitude 074°02′43″ W., thence north to point of origin. Regulated enforcement area – All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean encompassed within the following areas: Race area: All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 40°05′40″ N., longitude 074°01′40″ W., thence south to latitude 40°03′54″ N., longitude 074°01′40″ W., thence south to latitude 40°03′54″ N., longitude 074°01′40″ W., thence south to latitude 40°03′56″ N., longitude 074°02′07″ W., thence west to latitude 40°03′56″ N., longitude 074°02′24″ W., thence west to latitude 40°03′56″ N., longitude 074°02′24″ W., thence north and parallel to shoreline to point of origin.
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8.	August – 3 rd Tuesday and Wednesday.	Thunder Over the Boardwalk Air show	Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce	The waters of the North Atlantic Ocean, adjacent to Atlantic City, New Jersey, bounded by a line drawn between the following points: from a point along the shoreline at latitude 39°21′31″ N., longitude 074°25′04″ W., thence southeasterly to latitude 39°21′08″ N., longitude 074°24′48″ W., thence southwesterly to latitude 39°20′16″ N., longitude 074°27′17″ W., thence northwesterly to a point along the shoreline at latitude 39°20′44″ N., longitude 074°27′31″ W., thence northeasterly along the shoreline to latitude 39°21′31″ N., longitude 074°25′04″ W.
9.	October – 1 st Monday (Columbus Day).	U.S. holiday celebrations	City of Philadelphia	The waters of the Delaware River, adjacent to Philadelphia, PA and Camden, NJ, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the south by the Walt Whitman Bridge and bounded on the north by the Benjamin Franklin Bridge.
10.	December 31 st (New Year's Eve).	U.S. holiday celebrations	City of Philadelphia	The waters of the Delaware River, adjacent to Philadelphia, PA and Camden, NJ, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the south by the Walt Whitman Bridge and bounded on the north by the Benjamin Franklin Bridge.
11.	September – 2 nd or 3 rd Sunday.	Ocean City Air Show	Ocean City, NJ	All waters of the New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) bounded by a line connecting the following points; latitude 39°15′57″ N., longitude 074°35′09″ W. thence northeast to latitude 39°16′34″ N., longitude 074°33′54″ W. thence southeast to latitude 39°16′17″ N., longitude 074°33′29″ W. thence southwest to latitude 39°15′40″ N., longitude 074°34′46″ W. thence northwest to point of origin, near Ocean City, NJ.

12.	June – 4 th Sunday and	Atlantic City	Atlantic City, NJ	All waters of the New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway (ICW)
	August 2 nd or 3 rd Sunday.	International Triathlon		bounded by a line connecting the following points; latitude
	September – 2 nd or 3 rd			39°21′20″ N., longitude 074°27′18″ W. thence northeast to
	Saturday and Sunday.			latitude 39°21′27.47″ N., longitude 074°27′10.31″ W. thence
				northeast to latitude 39°21′33″ N., longitude 074°26′57″ W.
				thence northwest to latitude 39°21′37″ N., longitude
				074°27′03" W. thence southwest to latitude 39°21′29.88" N.,
				longitude 074°27′14.31″ W. thence south to latitude 39°21′19″
				N., longitude 074°27′22″ W. thence east to latitude
				39°21′18.14″ N., longitude 074°27′19.25″ W. thence north to
				point of origin, near Atlantic City, NJ.

	(b.) Coast Guard Sector Baltimore - COTP Zone				
No.	Enforcement period(s) 1	Event	Sponsor	Location / Special local regulation area	
1.	March—4th or last Saturday; or April—1st Saturday.	USNA Safety at Sea Seminar.	U.S. Naval Academy	All waters of the Severn River from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the northwest by the Naval Academy (SR-450) Bridge and bounded to the southeast by a line drawn from Triton Light at latitude 38°58′53.0″ N., longitude 076°28′34.4″ W. thence easterly to Carr Point, MD at latitude 38°58′58.7″ N., longitude 076°27′38.9″ W.	
2.	April and May—every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	USNA Crew Races.	U.S. Naval Academy	All waters of the Severn River from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the northwest by a line drawn from the south shoreline at latitude 39°00′58″ N., longitude 076°31′32″ W. thence to the north shoreline at latitude 39°01′11″ N., longitude 076°31′10″ W. The regulated area is bounded to the southeast by a line drawn from U.S. Naval Academy Light at latitude 38°58′39.5″ N., longitude 076°28′49″ W. thence easterly to Carr Point, MD at latitude 38°58′58″ N., longitude 076°27′41″ W.	
3.	July—3rd, 4th or last Saturday, or Sunday.	Middle River Dinghy Poker Run	Norris Trust Foundation	The waters of Middle River, from shoreline to shoreline, within an area bounded to the north by a line drawn along latitude 39°19′33″ N., and bounded to the south by a line drawn from latitude 39°17′24.4″ N., longitude 076°23′53.3″ W. to latitude 39°18′06.4″ N., longitude 076°23′10.9″ W., located in Baltimore County, at Essex, MD.	
4.	May—1st Sunday.	Nanticoke River Swim and Triathlon	Nanticoke River Swim and Triathlon, Inc	All waters of the Nanticoke River, including Bivalve Channel and Bivalve Harbor, bounded by a line drawn from a point on the shoreline at latitude 38°18′00″ N., longitude 075°54′00″ W., thence westerly to latitude 38°18′00″ N., longitude 075°55′00″ W., thence northerly to latitude 38°20′00″ N., longitude 075°53′48″ W., thence easterly to latitude 38°19′42″ N., longitude 075°52′54″ W.	
5.	May—Saturday before Memorial Day.	Chestertown Tea Party Re-enactment	Chestertown Tea Party Festival	All waters of the Chester River, within a line connecting the following positions: latitude 39°12′27″ N., longitude 076°03′46″ W.; thence to latitude 39°12′19″ N., longitude 076°03′53″ W.; thence to latitude 39°12′15″ N., longitude 076°03′41″ W.; thence to latitude 39°12′26″ N., longitude 076°03′38″ W.; thence to the point of origin at latitude 39°12′27″ N., longitude 076°03′46″ W., located at Chestertown, MD.	
6.	May—3rd Friday, Saturday and Sunday. June 2nd or 3rd Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Washington, D.C. Dragon Boat Festival	Washington, D.C. Dragon Boat Festival, Inc	The waters of the Upper Potomac River, Washington, DC, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded upstream by the Francis Scott Key Bridge and downstream by the Roosevelt Memorial Bridge, located at Georgetown, Washington, DC.	
7.	May—Tuesday and Wednesday before Memorial Day (observed).	USNA Blue Angels Air Show	U.S. Naval Academy	All waters of the Severn River from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the northwest by a line drawn from the south shoreline at latitude 39°00'38" N., longitude 076°31'02" W. thence to the north shoreline at latitude 39°00'52.7" N., longitude 076°30'46" W., this line is approximately 1300 yards northwest of the U.S. 50 fixed highway bridge. The regulated area is bounded to the southeast by a line drawn from U.S. Naval Academy Light at latitude 38°58'39.5" N., longitude 076°28'49" W. thence southeast to a point 1500 yards ESE of Chinks Point, MD at latitude 38°57'41" N., longitude	

				076°27′36″ W. thence northeast to Greenbury Point at latitude 38°58′27.7″ N., longitude 076°27′16.4″ W. Spectator area: All waters of the Severn River bounded by a line commencing at latitude 38°58′38.2″ N., longitude 076°27′56.9″ W., thence southeast to latitude 38°58′24.9″ N., longitude 076°27′47.6″ W., thence west to latitude 38°58′22.3″ N., longitude 076°27′47.6″ W., thence northwest to latitude 38°58′28.3″ N., longitude 076°27′54.5″ W., thence northwest to latitude 38°58′28.3″ N., longitude 076°28′11″ W., thence east to point of origin. This area is located generally in the center portion of Middle Ground Anchorage, Severn River, MD. This spectator area is restricted to certain vessels as described in § 100.501 paragraph (g) (1).
8.	June—2nd Sunday.	The Great Chesapeake Bay Swim	The Great Chesapeake Bay Swim, Inc	The waters of the Chesapeake Bay between and adjacent to the spans of the William P. Lane Jr. Memorial Bridges from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the north by a line drawn parallel and 500 yards north of the north bridge span that originates from the western shoreline at latitude 39°00′36″ N., longitude 076°23′05″ W. and thence eastward to the eastern shoreline at latitude 38°59′14″ N., longitude 076°20′00″ W., and bounded to the south by a line drawn parallel and 500 yards south of the south bridge span that originates from the western shoreline at latitude 39°00′16″ N., longitude 076°24′30″ W. and thence eastward to the eastern shoreline at latitude 38°58′38.5″ N., longitude 076°20′06″ W.
9.	June—3rd, 4th or last Saturday or July—2nd or 3rd Saturday.	Maryland Swim for Life	District of Columbia Aquatics Club	The waters of the Chester River from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the south by a line drawn at latitude 39°10′16″ N., near the Chester River Channel Buoy 35 (LLN-26795) and bounded on the north at latitude 39°12′30″ N. by the Maryland S.R. 213 Highway Bridge.
10.	June—last Saturday and Sunday or July—2nd Saturday and Sunday.	Bo Bowman Memorial—Sharptown Regatta	Carolina Virginia Racing Assn	Regulated enforcement area – All waters of the Nanticoke River encompassed within the following areas: Race area: All waters of the Nanticoke River commencing at a point at latitude 38°33'02" N., longitude 075°42'44" W., thence northwest to latitude 38°33'03" N., longitude 075°42'45" W., thence southwest to latitude 38°32'46" N., longitude 075°43'08" W., thence southeast to latitude 38°32'45" N., longitude 075°43'07" W., thence northeast to the point of origin. Race boat/participant access area: Located southwest and down river from the race area. From shoreline to shoreline and bound by a line commencing at latitude 38°32'37" N., longitude 075°43'14" W., thence northwest across the river to latitude 38°32'41.5" N., longitude 075°43'19.3" W., thence northeast to latitude 38°32'46" N., longitude 075°43'14" W., thence southeast along the Route 313 bridge to latitude 38°32'41.7" N., longitude 075°43'08.2" W., thence southwest to point of origin. Buffer area: All waters of the Nanticoke River bounded by a line connecting the following points: Commencing at latitude 38°33'02" N., longitude 075°42'39" W., thence southwest to latitude 38°32'47" N., longitude 075°43'13" W., thence northeast to latitude 38°32'47" N., longitude 075°43'13" W., thence northeast to latitude 38°32'47" N., longitude 075°42'31" W., thence northeast to latitude 38°33'07.5" N., longitude 075°42'46" W., thence southwest to the point of origin. Spectator area: All waters of the Nanticoke River bounded by the following points: Located northeast and up-river from the race area. From shoreline to shoreline and bound by a line commencing at latitude 38°33'08.5" N., longitude 075°42'39" W., thence across the river northwest to latitude 38°33'07.4" N., longitude 075°42'39" W., thence across the river northwest to latitude 38°33'07.4" N., longitude 075°42'46" W., thence the northeast along the shoreline to latitude 38°33'13" N., longitude 075°42'41.5" W., thence southeast along the shoreline to latitude 38°33'13" N., longitude 075°42'41.5" W., thence
11.	May/June—Saturday and Sunday after Memorial Day (observed); and	Rock Hall and Waterman's Triathlon Swims	Kinetic Endeavors, LLC	The waters of Rock Hall Harbor from shoreline to shoreline, bounded by a line drawn from latitude 39°07′59″ N., longitude 076°15′03″ W. to latitude 39°07′50″ N., longitude 076°14′41″

	October—1st Saturday and Sunday.			W., located at the entrance to Rock Hall, MD.
12.	September—2nd Saturday or the Saturday after Labor Day. (biennial, even years)	Catholic Charities Dragon Boat Races	Associated Catholic Charities, Inc	The waters of the Patapsco River, within the Inner Harbor, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the east by a line drawn along longitude 076°36′30″ W., located at Baltimore, MD.
13.	June—3rd, 4th or last Saturday or Sunday.	Baltimore Dragon Boat Challenge	Baltimore Dragon Boat Club	The waters of Patapsco River, Northwest Harbor, in Baltimore, MD, from shoreline to shoreline, within an area bounded on the east by a line drawn along longitude 076°35′ W. and bounded on the west by a line drawn along longitude 076°36′ W.
14.	May—2nd, 3rd 4th or last Saturday. June—1st, 2nd or 3rd Saturday.	Oxford-Bellevue Sharkfest Swim	Enviro-Sports Productions Inc	The waters of the Tred Avon River from shoreline to shoreline, within an area bounded on the east by a line drawn from latitude 38°42′25″ N., longitude 076°10′45″ W., thence south to latitude 38°41′37″ N., longitude 076°10′26″ W., and bounded on the west by a line drawn from latitude 38°41′58″ N., longitude 076°11′04″ W., thence south to latitude 38°41′25″ N., longitude 076°10′49″ W., thence east to latitude 38°41′25″ N., longitude 076°10′30″ W., located at Oxford, MD.
15.	June—1st Sunday.	Washington's Crossing: Swim Across the Potomac	Wave One Swimming	The waters of the Potomac River, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the north by a line drawn that originates at Jones Point Park, VA at the west shoreline latitude 38°47'35" N., longitude 077°02'22" W., thence east to latitude 38°47'2" N., longitude 077°00'58" W., at east shoreline near National Harbor, MD. The regulated area is bounded to the south by a line drawn originating at George Washington Memorial Parkway highway overpass and Cameron Run, west shoreline latitude 38°47'23" N., longitude 077°03'03" W. thence east to latitude 38°46'52" N., longitude 077°01'13" W., at east shoreline near National Harbor, MD.
16.	October—last Saturday; or November—1st or 2nd Saturday.	The MRE Tug of War	Maritime Republic of Eastport	The waters of Spa Creek from shoreline to shoreline, extending 400 feet from either side of a rope spanning Spa Creek from a position at latitude 38°58′36.9″ N., longitude 076°29′03.8″ W. on the Annapolis shoreline to a position at latitude 38°58′26.4″ N., longitude 076°28′53.7″ W. on the Eastport shoreline.
17.	December—2nd Saturday.	Eastport Yacht Club Lights Parade	Eastport Yacht Club	All waters of Spa Creek and the Severn River, shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the east by a line drawn from Triton Light, at latitude 38°58′53.1″ N., longitude 076°28′34.3″ W., thence southwest to Horn Point, at 38°58′20.9″ N., longitude 076°28′27.1″ W., Annapolis, MD.
18.	Memorial Day weekend— Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday; or Labor Day weekend— Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday; or October—last Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	NAS Patuxent River Air Expo	NAS Patuxent River	All waters of the lower Patuxent River, near Solomons, Maryland, located between Fishing Point and the base of the break wall marking the entrance to the East Seaplane Basin at Naval Air Station Patuxent River, within an area bounded by a line connecting position latitude 38°17'39" N., longitude 076°25'47" W.; thence to latitude 38°17'47" N., longitude 076°26'00" W.; thence to latitude 38°18'09" N., longitude 076°25'40" W.; thence to latitude 38°18'00" N., longitude 076°25'25" W., located along the shoreline at U.S. Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Maryland. All waters of the lower Patuxent River, near Solomons, Maryland, located between Hog Point and Cedar Point, within an area bounded by a line drawn from a position at latitude 38°18'41" N., longitude 076°22'35" W.; thence to latitude 38°18'12" N., longitude 076°22'37" W.; thence to latitude 38°18'12" N., longitude 076°22'37" W.; thence to latitude 38°18'12" N., longitude 076°22'37" W.; thence to latitude 38°18'12" N., longitude 076°22'46" W., located adjacent to the shoreline at U.S. Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Maryland.
19.	May—1st or 2nd Saturday and Sunday; October—1 st or 2 nd Saturday and Sunday.	Ocean City Maryland Offshore Grand Prix	Offshore Performance Assn. Racing, LLC	Regulated enforcement area: All waters of North Atlantic Ocean bounded within the following designated areas. Race area: All waters of North Atlantic Ocean commencing at latitude 38°20′06.33″ N. longitude 075°04′39.09″ W., thence east to latitude 38°20′03.75″ N. longitude 075°04′27.46″ W., thence north and parallel to Ocean City shoreline to latitude 38°21′32.00″ N. longitude 075°03′46.57″ W.; thence west to shoreline at latitude 38°21′34.58″ N. longitude 075°04′00.95″

				W.; thence south to the point of origin. Buffer area: 500 yards in all directions surrounding the "Race area". All waters of North Atlantic Ocean commencing at a point near the shoreline at latitude 38°21′52″ N. longitude 075°04′09″ W., thence east to latitude 38°21′44″ N. longitude 075°03′21″ W., thence southwest and parallel to Ocean City shoreline latitude 38°19′47″ N. longitude 075°04′15″ W., thence west to the shoreline at latitude 38°19′55″ N. longitude 075°04′57″ W. Spectator area: Vessel operation restricted to operate at No Wake Speed. All waters of North Atlantic Ocean commencing at latitude 38°20′01″ N. longitude 075°04′08.4″ W., thence east to latitude 38°20′01″ N. longitude 075°03′57″ W., thence north and parallel to Ocean City shoreline to latitude 38°21′26″ N. longitude 075°03′16″ W.; thence west to shoreline at latitude 38°21′29″ N. longitude 075°03′27.8″ W., thence south to the point of origin.
20.	June—1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Ocean City Air Show	Town of Ocean City, Maryland	All waters of the North Atlanta Ocean within an area bounded by the following coordinates: latitude 38°21′48.7″ N., longitude 075°04′10″ W.; latitude 38°21′31.5″ N., longitude 075°03′11.4″ W.; latitude 38°19′22.6″ N., longitude 075°04′09.5″ W.; and latitude 38°19′38.5″ N., longitude 075°05′05.4″ W., located at Ocean City, MD.
21.	June—3rd, 4th or last Sunday.	Coastal Aquatics Swim Team Open Water Summer Shore Swim	Coastal Aquatics Swim Team	All waters of the Nanticoke River, including Bivalve Channel and Bivalve Harbor, bounded by a line drawn from a point on the shoreline at latitude 38°18′00″ N., longitude 075°54′00″ W., thence westerly to latitude 38°18′00″ N., longitude 075°55′00″ W., thence northerly to latitude 38°20′00″ N., longitude 075°53′48″ W., thence easterly to latitude 38°19′42″ N., longitude 075°52′54″ W.
22.	Memorial Day weekend (Saturday and Sunday). July—last Saturday or Sunday.	Cambridge Classic Powerboat Race	Cambridge Power Boat Regatta Association	Regulated enforcement area: All waters within of Hambrooks Bay and Choptank River bounded within the following described areas. Race area: All waters within Hambrooks Bay bound to the east by the breakwall and continuing along a line drawn from the east end of breakwall located at latitude 38°35′27.6″ N., longitude 076°04′50.1″ W., thence south to Great Marsh Point located at latitude 38°35′5′06″ N., longitude 076°04′40.6″ W. Buffer area: All waters within Hambrooks Bay (with the exception of the Race Area designated by the marine event sponsor) bound to the east by the breakwall and continuing along a line drawn from the east end of breakwall located at latitude 38°35′27.6″ N., longitude 076°04′50.1″ W., thence south to Great Marsh Point located at latitude 38°35′06″ N., longitude 076°04′40.6″ W. Spectator area: All waters of the Choptank River, from Great Marsh Point, commencing at latitude 38°35′06″ N. longitude 076°04′40.4″ W., thence north near the terminus of breakwall, latitude 38°35′29.8″ N. longitude 076°04′51″ W., thence northwest parallel with breakwall to latitude 38°35′34.5″ N. longitude 076°05′12.5″ W.; thence northeast to latitude 38°35′33.7″ N. longitude 076°04′41.6″ W., thence east to latitude 38°35′33.7″ N. longitude 076°04′41.6″ W., thence southeast to latitude 38°35′07.9″ N. longitude 076°04′31.4″ W., thence west to the point of origin.
23.	July—4th or last Saturday and Sunday;	Southern Maryland Boat Club Summer Regatta	Southern Maryland Boat Club	All waters of Breton Bay, immediately adjacent to Leonardtown, MD shoreline, from shoreline to shoreline, within an area bounded to the east by a line drawn along latitude-38°16'43" N., and bounded to the west by a line drawn along longitude 076°38'29.5" W., located at Leonardtown, MD. Race area: The race area is rectangular in shape measuring approximately 200 yards by 1000 yards. The area is bounded by a line commencing at position latitude 38°17'07.2" N., longitude 076°38'17.9" W.; thence southeast to latitude 38°16'53.6" N., longitude 076°37'43.7" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'48.6" N., longitude 076°37'46.8" W.; thence northwest to latitude 38°17'02.3" N., longitude 076°38'21.1"

				W: thence northeast to point of origin
				W.; thence northeast to point of origin. Buffer area: The area surrounds the entire race area described in the preceding paragraph of this section. This area is rectangular in shape and provides a buffer of approximately 120 yards around the perimeter of the race area. The area is bounded by a line commencing at position latitude 38°17'11.7" N., longitude 076°38'19.5" W.; thence southeast to latitude 38°16'55.6" N., longitude 076°37'37.5" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'43.7" N., longitude 076°37'45" W.; thence northwest to latitude 38°17'00.3" N., longitude 076°38'27.4" W.; thence northeast to point of origin. Spectator area: A. The area is bounded by a line commencing at position latitude 38°17'09.7" N., longitude 076°38'06.3" W.; thence southeast to latitude 38°17'05." N., longitude 076°37'54." W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°17'02.2" N., longitude 076°37'54." W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°17'02.2" N., longitude 076°37'53.8" W.; thence northwest to latitude 38°17'08.5" N., longitude 076°38'10.1" W.; thence northeast to point of origin. B. The area is bounded by a line commencing at position latitude 38°17'02.2" N., longitude 076°37'35.9" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'59." N., longitude 076°37'37.6" W.; thence northwest to latitude 38°16'59.9" N., longitude 076°37'37.6" W.; thence northwest to latitude 38°16'59.9" N., longitude 076°37'47.5" W.; thence northeast to point of origin. C. The area is bounded by a line commencing at position latitude 38°16'57.3" N., longitude 076°38'20.7" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'49.3" N., longitude 076°38'00.2" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'47.9" N., longitude 076°38'21.8" W.; thence northeast to point of origin. D. The area is bounded by a line commencing at position latitude 38°16'47" N., longitude 076°37'47.2" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'43.2" N., longitude 076°37'47.2" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'43.2" N., longitude 076°37'47.2" W.; thence southwest to latitude 38°16'43.2" N., longitude 076°37'47.2" W
24.	October —Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday after Columbus Day (observed). (biennial, even years)	Baltimore Air Show	Star-Spangled 200, Inc.	longitude 076°37′57.9″ W.; thence northeast to point of origin. Regulated area: All waters of the Patapsco River, within an area bounded by a line connecting position latitude 39°16′00″ N., longitude 076°36′30″ W.; thence east to latitude 39°16′00″ N., longitude 076°33′00″ W.; thence south to latitude 39°14′30″ N., longitude 076°33′00″ W.; thence west to latitude 39°14′30″ N., longitude 076°36′30″ W.; thence north to point of origin, located between Port Covington and Seagirt Marine Terminal, Baltimore, MD. Spectator Area: All waters of Patapsco River located between the north boundary defined by a line drawn from the vicinity of North Locust Point Marine Terminal, Pier 1 thence east to Canton Industrial area, Pier 5; the south boundary is defined by a line drawn from vicinity of Whetstone Point thence east to Lazaretto Point. This area is located generally where Northwest Harbor, East Channel joins Patapsco River, Fort McHenry Channel, near Fort McHenry National Monument, Baltimore, MD. This area is bound by a line to the north commencing at position latitude 39°16′01″ N., longitude 076°34′46″ W.; thence east to latitude 39°16′01″ N., longitude 076°34′40″ W.; and bound by a line to the south commencing at position latitude 39°15′26″ N., longitude 076°35′23″ W.; thence east to latitude 39°15′26″ N., longitude 076°35′23″ W. This spectator area is restricted to certain vessels as described in § 100.501 paragraph (g) (2).

	(c.) Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads - COTP Zone			
No. Enforcement period(s) ¹ Event Sponsor Location / Special loc				Location / Special local regulation area
1.	May – last Friday, Saturday and Sunday	Blackbeard Festival, Battle of Hampton	City of Hampton	The waters of Sunset Creek and Hampton River shore to shore bounded to the north by the I-64 Bridge over the Hampton

	and/or June – 1 st Friday, Saturday and Sunday. October – 3 rd and 4 th weekend.			River and to the south by a line drawn from Hampton River Channel Light 16 (LL 5715), located at latitude 37°01′03″ N., longitude 76°20′26″ W., to the finger pier across the river at Fisherman's Wharf, located at latitude 37°01′01.5″ N., longitude 76°20′32″ W Spectator Vessel Anchorage Areas Area A: Located in the upper reaches of the Hampton River, bounded to the south by a line drawn from the western shore at latitude 37°01′48″ N., longitude 76°20′22″ W., across the river to the eastern shore at latitude 37°01′44″ N., longitude 76°20′13″ W., and to the north by the I-64 Bridge over the Hampton River. The anchorage area will be marked by orange buoys. Area B: Located on the eastern side of the channel, in the Hampton River, south of the Queen Street Bridge, near the Riverside Health Center. Bounded by the shoreline and a line drawn between the following points: Latitude 37°01′26″ N., longitude 76°20′24″ W., latitude 37°01′22″ N., longitude 76°20′23″ W. The anchorage area will be marked by orange buoys.
2.	June – 1 st Friday, Saturday and Sunday or 2 nd Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Norfolk Harborfest.	Norfolk Festevents, Ltd.	The waters of the Elizabeth River and its branches from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the northwest by a line drawn across the Port Norfolk Reach section of the Elizabeth River between the northern corner of the landing at Hospital Point, Portsmouth, Virginia, latitude 36°50′51″ N., longitude 076°18′09″ W. and the north corner of the City of Norfolk Mooring Pier at the foot of Brooks Avenue located at latitude 36°51′00″ N., longitude 076°17′52″ W.; bounded on the southwest by a line drawn from the southern corner of the landing at Hospital Point, Portsmouth, Virginia, at latitude 36°50′50″ N., longitude 076°18′10″ W., to the northern end of the eastern most pier at the Tidewater Yacht Agency Marina, located at latitude 36°50′29″ N., longitude 076°17′52″ W.; bounded to the south by a line drawn across the Lower Reach of the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River, between the Portsmouth Lightship Museum located at the foot of London Boulevard, in Portsmouth, Virginia at latitude 36°50′10″ N., longitude 076°17′47″ W., and the northwest corner of the Norfolk Shipbuilding & Drydock, Berkley Plant, Pier No. 1, located at latitude 36°50′08″ N., longitude 076°17′39″ W.; and to the southeast by the Berkley Bridge which crosses the Eastern Branch of the Elizabeth River between Berkley at latitude 36°50′21.5″ N., longitude 076°17′14.5″ W., and Norfolk at latitude 36°50′35″ N., longitude 076°17′14.5″ W., and
3.	June – 2 nd or 3 rd Saturday.	Cock Island Race.	Portsmouth Boat Club & City of Portsmouth, VA	The waters of the Elizabeth River and its branches from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the northwest by a line drawn across the Port Norfolk Reach section of the Elizabeth River between the northern corner of the landing at Hospital Point, Portsmouth, Virginia, latitude 36°50′51″ N., longitude 076°18′09″ W. and the north corner of the City of Norfolk Mooring Pier at the foot of Brooks Avenue located at latitude 36°51′00″ N., longitude 076°17′52″ W.; bounded on the southwest by a line drawn from the southern corner of the landing at Hospital Point, Portsmouth, Virginia, at latitude 36°50′50″ N., longitude 076°18′10″ W., to the northern end of the eastern most pier at the Tidewater Yacht Agency Marina, located at latitude 36°50′29″ N., longitude 076°17′52″ W.; bounded to the south by a line drawn across the Lower Reach of the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River, between the Portsmouth Lightship Museum located at the foot of London Boulevard, in Portsmouth, Virginia at latitude 36°50′10″ N., longitude 076°17′47″ W., and the northwest corner of the Norfolk Shipbuilding & Drydock, Berkley Plant, Pier No. 1, located at latitude 36°50′08″ N., longitude 076°17′39″ W.; and to the southeast by the Berkley Bridge which crosses the Eastern Branch of the Elizabeth River between Berkley at latitude 36°50′21.5″ N., longitude 076°17′14.5″ W., and Norfolk at latitude 36°50′35″ N., longitude 076°17′10″ W.

5.	July – last Wednesday and following Friday; or August – 1 st Wednesday and following Friday.	RRBA Spring Radar Shootout Pony Penning Swim	Rappahannock River Boaters Association (RRBA) Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Department	All waters of Rappahannock River, adjacent to Layton, VA, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the west by a line running along longitude 076°58′30″ W., and bounded on the east by a line running along longitude 076°56′00″ W. Buffer area: The waters of Rappahannock River extending 200 yards outwards from east and west boundary lines described in this section. Spectator area: The regulated area cannot accommodate spectator vessels due to limitations posed by shallow water and insufficient waters to provide adequate separation between race course and other vessels. Spectators are encouraged to view the race from points along the adjacent shoreline. The waters of Assateague Channel from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the east by a line drawn from latitude 37°55′01″ N., longitude 075°22′40″ W., thence south to latitude 37°54′50″ N., longitude 075°22′46″ W.; and to the southwest by a line drawn from latitude 37°54′54″ N., longitude 075°23′00″ W.,
6.	August 1 st or 2 nd Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Hampton Cup Regatta	Hampton Cup Regatta Boat Club	thence east to latitude 37°54'49" N., longitude 075°22'49" W. Regulated enforcement area – All waters of Mill Creek, adjacent and north of Fort Monroe, Hampton, Virginia. The regulated area includes the following areas: Race area: All waters within the following boundaries: to the north, a line drawn along latitude 37°01'03" N., to the east a line drawn along longitude 076°18'30" W., to the south a line drawn parallel with the Fort Monroe shoreline, and west boundary is parallel with the Route 258 – East Mercury Boulevard Bridge-causeway. Buffer area A: All waters bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 37°00'43" N., longitude 076°18'54" W., thence north along the causeway to latitude 37°01'03" N., longitude 076°18'52" W., thence south to Route 143 causeway at latitude 37°01'44" N., longitude 076°18'58" W., thence east along the shoreline to point of origin. Buffer area B: All waters bounded by a line connecting the following points: latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'49" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence south to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence west to latitude 37°00'33" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence north to latitude 37°01'03" N., longitude 076°18'30" W., thence north to latitude 37°01'03" N., longitude 076°18'49" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence east to latitude 37°01'08" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence south to latitude 37°00'54" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence south to latitude 37°00'54" N., longitude 076°18'23" W., thence south
7.	September 1 st Friday, Saturday and Sunday or 2 nd Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Hampton Virginia Bay Days Festival	Hampton Bay Days Inc.	The waters of Sunset Creek and Hampton River shore to shore bounded to the north by the I-64 Bridge over the Hampton River and to the south by a line drawn from Hampton River Channel Light 16 (LL 5715), located at latitude 37°01′03″ N., longitude 076°20′26″ W., to the finger pier across the river at Fisherman's Wharf, located at latitude 37°01′01.5″ N., longitude 076°20′32″ W.
8.	September – last Sunday or October – 1 st or 2 nd Sunday.	Poquoson Seafood Festival Workboat Races	City of Poquoson	The waters of the Back River, Poquoson, Virginia. Race area: The area is bounded on the north by a line drawn along latitude 37°06′30″ N., bounded on the south by a line drawn along latitude 37°06′15″ N., bounded on the east by a line drawn along longitude 076°18′52″ W. and bounded on the west by a line drawn along longitude 076°19′30″ W. Buffer area: The waters of Back River extending 200 yards outwards from east and west boundary lines, and 100 yards outwards from the north and south boundary lines described in this section. Spectator area: Is located along the south boundary line of the buffer area described in this section and continues to the south for 300 yards.

9.	June – 3 rd Saturday and	Mattaponi Drag Boat	Mattaponi Volunteer	All waters of Mattaponi River immediately adjacent to
	Sunday or 4 th Saturday and	Race	Rescue Squad and Dive	Rainbow Acres Campground, King and Queen County,
	Sunday.		Team	Virginia. The regulated area includes a section of the
				Mattaponi River approximately three-quarter mile long and
				bounded in width by each shoreline, bounded to the east by a
				line that runs parallel along longitude 076°52′43″ W., near the
				mouth of Mitchell Hill Creek, and bounded to the west by a
				line that runs parallel along longitude 076°53′41″ W. just north
				of Wakema, Virginia.
				Buffer area: The waters of Mattaponi River extending 200
				yards outwards from east and west boundary lines described in
				this section.
				Spectator area: The regulated area cannot accommodate
				spectator vessels due to limitations posed by shallow water and
				insufficient waters to provide adequate separation between race
				course and other vessels. Spectators are encouraged to view
				the race from points along the adjacent shoreline.

	(d.) Coast Guard Sector North Carolina - COTP Zone			
No.	Enforcement period(s) ¹	Event	Sponsor	Location / Special local regulation area
1.	September – 4 th or last Saturday and or Sunday.	Swim the Loop and Motts Channel Sprint	Without Limits Coaching, Inc.	All waters surrounding Harbor Island, NC including Intracoastal waterway, Lees Cut, Banks Channel and Motts Channel. Enforcement area extends approximately 100 yards from the shoreline of Harbor Island and is bounded by a line connecting the following points; latitude 34°12′55″ N., longitude 077°48′59″ W. thence northeast to latitude 34°13′16″ N., longitude 077°48′39″ W. thence southeast to latitude 34°13′12″ N., longitude 077°48′18″ W. thence east to latitude 34°13′12″ N., longitude 077°47′41″ W. thence southeast to latitude 34°13′06″ N., longitude 077°47′47″ W. thence south to latitude 34°12′31″ N., longitude 077°47′47″ W. thence southwest to latitude 34°12′11″ N., longitude 077°48′01″ W. thence northwest to latitude 34°12′29″ N., longitude 077°48′29″ W. thence north to latitude 34°12′44″ N., longitude 077°48′32″ W. thence northwest to point of origin.
2.	September – 3 rd , 4 th or last Saturday; October – last Saturday; November – 1 st and or 2 nd Saturday.	Wilmington YMCA Triathlon	Wilmington, NC, YMCA	The waters of, and adjacent to, Wrightsville Channel, from Wrightsville Channel Day beacon 14 (LLNR 28040), located at latitude 34°12′18″ N., longitude 077°48′10″ W., to Wrightsville Channel Day beacon 25 (LLNR 28080), located at latitude 34°12′51″ N., longitude 77°48′53″ W.
3.	August – 2 nd Saturday.	The Crossing	Organization to Support the Arts, Infrastructure, and Learning on Lake Gaston, AKA O'SAIL	All waters of Lake Gaston, from shoreline to shoreline, directly under the length of Eaton Ferry Bridge (NC State Route 903), latitude 36°31'06" N., longitude 077°57'37" W., bounded to the west by a line drawn parallel and 100 yards from the western side of Eaton Ferry Bridge near Littleton, NC.

¹As noted in paragraph (f) of this section, the enforcement period for each of the listed special local regulations is subject to change.

PART 165--REGULATED NAVIGATION AREAS AND LIMITED ACCESS AREAS

3. The authority citation for part 165 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1231; 50 U.S.C. 191, 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.04-1, 6.04-6, 160.5; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.

§ 165.506 [Amended]

- 4. Revise § 165.506 to read as follows:
- § 165.506 Safety Zones; Fireworks Displays in the Fifth Coast Guard District.
 - (a) <u>Regulations</u>. (1) The general regulations contained in 33 CFR 165.23 apply.
- (2) The following regulations apply to the fireworks safety zones listed in the Table to \$165.506. These regulations will be enforced annually, for the duration of each fireworks event listed in the Table to \$165.506. In the case of inclement weather, the event may be conducted on the day following the date listed in the Table to \$165.506. Annual notice of the exact dates and times of the enforcement period of the regulation with respect to each safety zone, the geographical area, and other details concerning the nature of the fireworks event will be published in Local Notices to Mariners and via Broadcast Notice to Mariners over VHF-FM marine band radio.
- (3) All persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the Coast Guard Captain of the Port, Coast Guard Patrol Commander or the designated on-scene-patrol personnel. Those personnel are comprised of commissioned, warrant, and petty officers of the U.S. Coast Guard. Other Federal, State and local agencies may assist these personnel in the enforcement of the safety zone. Upon being hailed by a U.S. Coast Guard vessel by siren, radio, flashing light or other means, the operator of a vessel shall proceed as directed.
- (b) Notification. (1) Fireworks barges and launch sites on land that operate within the regulated areas contained in the Table to §165.506 will have a sign affixed to the port and starboard side of the barge or mounted on a post 3 feet above ground level when on land immediately adjacent to the shoreline and facing the water labeled "FIREWORKS—DANGER—STAY AWAY". This will provide on scene notice that the safety zone will be enforced on that day. This notice will consist of a diamond shaped sign 4 feet by 4 feet with a 3-

inch orange retro reflective border. The word "DANGER" shall be 10 inch black block letters centered on the sign with the words "FIREWORKS" and "STAY AWAY" in 6 inch black block letters placed above and below the word "DANGER" respectively on a white background.

- (2) Coast Guard Captains of the Port in the Fifth Coast Guard District will notify the public of the enforcement of these safety zones by all appropriate means to affect the widest publicity among the affected segments of the public. Publication in the Local Notice to Mariners, marine information broadcasts, and facsimile broadcasts may be made for these events, beginning 24 to 48 hours before the event is scheduled to begin, to notify the public.
- (c) <u>Contact information</u>. Questions about safety zones and related events should be addressed to the local Coast Guard Captain of the Port for the area in which the event is occurring. Contact information is listed below. For a description of the geographical area of each Coast Guard Sector—Captain of the Port zone, please see 33 CFR 3.25.
- (1) Coast Guard Sector Delaware Bay—Captain of the Port Zone, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: (215) 271-4940.
- (2) Coast Guard Sector Baltimore—Captain of the Port Zone, Baltimore, Maryland: (410) 576-2525.
- (3) Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads—Captain of the Port Zone, Norfolk, Virginia: (757) 483-8567.
- (4) Coast Guard Sector North Carolina—Captain of the Port Zone, Wilmington, North Carolina: (877) 229-0770 or (910) 362-4015.
- (d) Enforcement periods. The safety zones in the Table to §165.506 will be enforced from 5:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. each day a barge with a "FIREWORKS—DANGER—STAY AWAY" sign on the port and starboard side is on-scene or a "FIREWORKS—DANGER—STAY AWAY"

sign is posted on land adjacent to the shoreline, in a location listed in the Table to §165.506. Vessels may not enter, remain in, or transit through the safety zones during these enforcement periods unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or designated Coast Guard patrol personnel on scene. The enforcement periods for each Safety Zone in the Table to § 165.506 of this section are subject to change, but the duration of enforcement would remain the same or nearly the same total amount of time as stated in its table. In the event of a change, or for enforcement periods listed that do not allow a specific date or dates to be determined, the Captain of the Port will provide notice by publishing a Notice of Enforcement in the Federal Register, as well as, issuing a Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

TABLE TO § 165.506

[All coordinates listed in the Table to § 165.506 reference Datum NAD 1983.]

		(a.) Coast Guard Sector Delaware Bay - CO	OTP Zone
No.	Enforcement period(s) ¹	Location	Safety Zone - regulated area
1.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th .	North Atlantic Ocean, Bethany Beach, DE; Safety Zone.	The waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°32′08″ N., longitude 075°03′15″ W., adjacent to shoreline of Bethany Beach, DE.
2.	Labor Day.	Indian River Bay, DE; Safety Zone.	All waters of the Indian River Bay within a 700 yard radius of the fireworks launch location on the pier in approximate position latitude 38°36′42″ N., longitude 075°08′18″ W.
3.	July 2 nd , 3 rd or 4 th .	North Atlantic Ocean, Rehoboth Beach, DE; Safety Zone.	All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 360 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°43′01.2″ N., longitude 075°04′21″ W., approximately 400 yards east of Rehoboth Beach, DE.
4.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th .	North Atlantic Ocean, Avalon, NJ; Safety Zone.	The waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate location latitude 39°06′19.5″ N., longitude 074°42′02.15″ W., in the vicinity of the shoreline at Avalon, NJ.
5.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , or 4 th , or September 1 st – 2 nd Saturday.	Barnegat Bay, Barnegat Township, NJ; Safety Zone.	The waters of Barnegat Bay within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°44′50″ N., longitude 074°11′21″ W., approximately 500 yards north of Conklin Island, NJ.
6.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th .	North Atlantic Ocean, Cape May, NJ; Safety Zone.	The waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate location latitude 38°55′36″ N., longitude 074°55′26″ W., immediately adjacent to the shoreline at Cape May, NJ.
7.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th .	Delaware Bay, North Cape May, NJ; Safety Zone.	All waters of the Delaware Bay within a 360 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°58′00″ N., longitude 074°58′30″ W.

8.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th . August – 3 rd Sunday.	Great Egg Harbor Inlet, Margate City, NJ; Safety Zone.	All waters within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate location latitude 39°19′33″ N., longitude 074°31′28″ W., on the Intracoastal Waterway near Margate City, NJ.
9.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th . August every Thursday; September 1 st Thursday.	Metedeconk River, Brick Township, NJ; Safety Zone.	The waters of the Metedeconk River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks launch platform in approximate position latitude 40°03′24″ N., longitude 074°06′42″ W., near the shoreline at Brick Township, NJ.
10.	July – 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th .	North Atlantic Ocean, Atlantic City, NJ; Safety Zone.	The waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge located at latitude 39°20′58″ N., longitude 074°25′58″ W., and within 500 yard radius of a fireworks barge located at latitude 39°21′12″ N., longitude 074°25′06″ W., near the shoreline at Atlantic City, NJ.
11.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th . October – 1 st or 2 nd Saturday.	North Atlantic Ocean, Ocean City, NJ; Safety Zone.	The waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate location latitude 39°16′22″ N., longitude 074°33′54″ W., in the vicinity of the shoreline at Ocean City, NJ.
12.	May – 4 th Saturday.	Barnegat Bay, Ocean Township, NJ; Safety Zone.	All waters of Barnegat Bay within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°47′33″ N., longitude 074°10′46″ W.
13.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th .	Little Egg Harbor, Parker Island, NJ; Safety Zone.	All waters of Little Egg Harbor within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°34′18″ N., longitude 074°14′43″ W., approximately 100 yards north of Parkers Island.
14.	September – 3 rd Saturday.	Delaware River, Chester, PA; Safety Zone.	All waters of the Delaware River near Chester, PA just south of the Commodore Barry Bridge within a 250 yard radius of the fireworks barge located in approximate position latitude 39°49'43.2" N., longitude 075°22'42" W.
15.	September – 3 rd Saturday.	Delaware River, Essington, PA; Safety Zone.	All waters of the Delaware River near Essington, PA, west of Little Tinicum Island within a 250 yard radius of the fireworks barge located in the approximate position latitude 39°51′18″ N., longitude 075°18′57″ W.
16.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th ; Columbus Day; December 31 st , January 1 st .	Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA; Safety Zone.	All waters of Delaware River, adjacent to Penns Landing, Philadelphia, PA, bounded from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the south by a line running east to west from points along the shoreline at latitude 39°56′31.2″ N., longitude 075°08′28.1″ W.; thence to latitude 39°56′29.1″ N., longitude 075°07′56.5″ W., and bounded on the north by the Benjamin Franklin Bridge.
17.	July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th .	N. Atlantic Ocean, Sea Isle City, NJ; Safety Zone	All waters of N. Atlantic Ocean within a 350 yard radius of a fireworks barge located approximately at position latitude 39°08′49.5″ N., longitude 074°41′25.1″ W., near Sea Isle City, NJ.
18.	April 8 th ; July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th ; December 31 st .	Rehoboth Bay, DE; Safety Zone	All waters within a 500 yard radius of a fireworks barge located at position latitude 38°41′21″ N., longitude 075°05′00″ W. at Rehoboth Bay near Dewey Beach, DE.

(b.) Coast Guard Sector Baltimore - COTP Zone				
No.	Enforcement period(s) 1	Location	Safety Zone - regulated area	
1.	April—1st or 2nd Saturday	Washington Channel, Upper Potomac River, Washington, D.C.; Safety Zone	All waters of the Upper Potomac River within 170 yards radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°52′20.3″ N., longitude 077°01′17.5″ W., located within the Washington Channel in Washington Harbor, DC.	
2.	July 4th; December—1st and 2nd Saturday; December 31st	Severn River and Spa Creek, Annapolis, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Severn River and Spa Creek within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position 38°58′41.76″ N., 076°28′34.2″ W., located near the entrance to Spa Creek, Annapolis, MD.	
3.	July—4th, or Saturday before or after Independence Day holiday	Middle River, Baltimore County, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Middle River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°17′45″ N., longitude 076°23′49″ W., approximately 300 yards east of Rockaway Beach, near Turkey Point.	

4.	December 31	Upper Potomac River, Washington, D.C.; Safety Zone	All waters of the Upper Potomac River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position 38°48′14″ N., 077°02′10″ W., located near the waterfront (King Street) at Alexandria, Virginia.
5.	June 14th; July 4th; September— 2nd Saturday; December 31st	Northwest Harbor (East Channel), Patapsco River, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Patapsco River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position 39°15′55″ N., 076°34′35″ W., located adjacent to the East Channel of Northwest Harbor.
6.	May—2nd or 3rd Thursday or Friday; July 4th; December 31st	Baltimore Inner Harbor, Patapsco River, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Patapsco River within a 100 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°17′01″ N., longitude 076°36′31″ W., located at the entrance to Baltimore Inner Harbor, approximately 125 yards southwest of pier 3.
7.	May—2nd or 3rd Thursday or Friday; July 4th December 31st.	Baltimore Inner Harbor, Patapsco River, MD; Safety Zone	The waters of the Patapsco River within a 100 yard radius of approximate position latitude 39°17′04″ N., longitude 076°36′36″ W., located in Baltimore Inner Harbor, approximately 125 yards southeast of pier 1.
8.	July 4th; December 31st.	Northwest Harbor (West Channel) Patapsco River, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Patapsco River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°16′21″ N., longitude 076°34′38″ W., located adjacent to the West Channel of Northwest Harbor.
9.	July—4th, or Saturday before or after Independence Day holiday	Patuxent River, Calvert County, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Patuxent River within a 200 yard radius of the fireworks barge located at latitude 38°19′17″ N., longitude 076°27′45″ W., approximately 800 feet from shore at Solomons Island, MD.
10.	July 3rd	Chesapeake Bay, Chesapeake Beach, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Chesapeake Bay within a 150 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°41′36″ N., longitude 076°31′30″ W., and within a 150 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°41′28″ N., longitude 076°31′29″ W., located near Chesapeake Beach, Maryland.
11.	July 4th	Choptank River, Cambridge, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Choptank River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks launch site at Great Marsh Point, located at latitude 38°35′06″ N., longitude 076°04′46″ W.
12.	July—2nd, 3rd or last Saturday	Potomac River, Fairview Beach, Charles County, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Potomac River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°19′57″ N., longitude 077°14′40″ W., located north of the shoreline at Fairview Beach, Virginia.
13.	May—last Saturday; July 4th	Potomac River, Charles County, MD; Mount Vernon, Safety Zone	All waters of the Potomac River within an area bound by a line drawn from the following points: latitude 38°42′30″ N., longitude 077°04′47″ W.; thence to latitude 38°42′18″ N., longitude 077°04′42″ W.; thence to latitude 38°42′11″ N., longitude 077°05′10″ W.; thence to latitude 38°42′22″ N., longitude 077°05′12″ W.; thence to point of origin located along the Potomac River shoreline at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate, Fairfax County, VA.
14.	October—1st Saturday	Dukeharts Channel, Potomac River, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Potomac River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°13′27″ N., longitude 076°44′48″ W., located adjacent to Dukeharts Channel near Coltons Point, Maryland.
15.	July—day before Independence Day holiday and July 4th; November—3rd Thursday, 3rd Saturday and last Friday; December—1st, 2nd and 3rd Friday	Potomac River, National Harbor, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Potomac River within an area bound by a line drawn from the following points: latitude 38°47'13" N., longitude 077°00'58" W.; thence to latitude 38°46'51" N., longitude 077°01'15" W.; thence to latitude 38°47'25" N., longitude 077°01'33" W.; thence to latitude 38°47'32" N., longitude 077°01'08" W.; thence to the point of origin, located at National Harbor, Maryland.
16.	Sunday before or after July 4th, July 4th.	Susquehanna River, Havre de Grace, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Susquehanna River within a 300 yard radius of approximate position latitude 39°32′06″ N., longitude 076°05′22″ W., located on the island at Millard Tydings Memorial Park.
17.	June and July—Saturday before Independence Day holiday	Miles River, St. Michaels, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Miles River within a 200 yard radius of approximate position latitude 38°47'42" N., longitude 076°12'51" W., located at the entrance to Long Haul Creek.

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18.	July 3rd	Tred Avon River, Oxford, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Tred Avon River within a 150 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°41′24″ N., longitude 076°10′37″ W., approximately 500 yards northwest of the waterfront at Oxford, MD.
19.	July 3rd	Northeast River, North East, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Northeast River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°35′26″ N., longitude 075°57′00″ W., approximately 400 yards south of North East Community Park.
20.	July - 1st, 2nd or 3rd Saturday.	Upper Potomac River, Washington, D.C.; Safety Zone	All waters of the Upper Potomac River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position 38°48′38″ N., 077°01′56″ W., located east of Oronoco Bay Park at Alexandria, Virginia.
21.	March through October, at the conclusion of evening MLB games at Washington Nationals Ball Park	Anacostia River, Washington, D.C.; Safety Zone	All waters of the Anacostia River within a 150 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°52′13″ N., longitude 077°00′16″ W., located near the Washington Nationals Ball Park.
22.	June—last Saturday or July—1st Saturday; July—3rd, 4th or last Saturday or September—Saturday before Labor Day (observed)	Potomac River, Prince William County, VA; Safety Zone	All waters of the Potomac River within a 200 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°34′09″ N., longitude 077°15′32″ W., located near Cherry Hill, Virginia.
23.	July 4th	North Atlantic Ocean, Ocean City, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean in an area bound by the following points: latitude 38°19′39.9″ N., longitude 075°05′03.2″ W.; thence to latitude 38°19′36.7″ N., longitude 075°04′53.5″ W.; thence to latitude 38°19′45.6″ N., longitude 075°04′49.3″ W.; thence to latitude 38°19′49.1″ N., longitude 075°05′00.5″ W.; thence to point of origin. The size of the safety zone extends approximately 300 yards offshore from the fireworks launch area located at the high water mark on the beach.
24.	May—Sunday before Memorial Day (observed). June 29th; July 4th and July every Sunday.August— 1st Sunday and Sunday before Labor Day (observed)	Isle of Wight Bay, Ocean City, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of Isle of Wight Bay within a 200 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 38°22′31″ N., longitude 075°04′34″ W.
25.	July 4th	Assawoman Bay, Fenwick Island—Ocean City, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of Assawoman Bay within a 360 yard radius of the fireworks launch location on the pier at the West end of Northside Park, in approximate position latitude 38°25′55″ N., longitude 075°03′53″ W.
26.	July 4th; December 31st.	Baltimore Harbor, Baltimore Inner Harbor, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of Baltimore Harbor, Patapsco River, within a 280 yard radius of a fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°16′36.7″ N., longitude 076°35′53.8″ W., located northwest of the Domino Sugar refinery wharf at Baltimore, Maryland.
27.	Thursday before July 4 th (observed); and or July 4 th .	Chester River, Kent Island Narrows, MD, Safety Zone	All waters of Chester River, Kent Narrows North Approach, within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks launch site at Kent Island in approximate position latitude 38°58'44.4" N., longitude 076°14'51.7" W., in Queen Anne's County, MD.
28.	Sunday before or after July 4th, July 4th.	Susquehanna River, Havre de Grace, MD; Safety Zone	All waters of the Susquehanna River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 39°32'42" N., longitude 076°04'29" W., located east of the waterfront at Havre de Grace, MD.

(c.) Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads – COTP Zone			
No.	Enforcement period(s) 1	Location	Safety Zone - regulated area
1.	July 4 th .	Linkhorn Bay, Virginia Beach, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Linkhorn Bay within a 400 yard radius of the fireworks display in approximate position latitude 36°52′20″ N., longitude 076°00′38″ W., located near the Cavalier Golf and Yacht Club, Virginia Beach, Virginia.
2.	September – last Friday or October – 1 st Friday.	York River, West Point, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the York River near West Point, VA within a 400 yard radius of the fireworks display located in approximate position latitude 37°31′25″ N., longitude 076°47′19″ W.

3.	July 4 th .	York River, Yorktown, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the York River within a 400 yard radius of the fireworks display in approximate position latitude 37°14′14″ N., longitude 076°30′02″ W., located near
4.	July 4 th , July 5 th , July 6 th , or July 7 th .	James River, Newport News, VA, Safety Zone.	Yorktown, Virginia. All waters of the James River within a 325 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 36°58′30″ N., longitude 076°26′19″ W., located in the vicinity of the Newport News Shipyard, Newport News, Virginia.
5.	June – 4 th Friday; July – 1 st Friday; July 4 th .	Chesapeake Bay, Norfolk, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Chesapeake Bay within a 400 yard radius of the fireworks display located in position latitude 36°57′21″ N., longitude 076°15′00″ W., located near Ocean View Fishing Pier.
6.	July 4 th or 5 th .	Chesapeake Bay, Virginia Beach, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Chesapeake Bay 400 yard radius of the fireworks display in approximate position latitude 36°55′02″ N., longitude 076°03′27″ W., located at the First Landing State Park at Virginia Beach, Virginia.
7.	July 4 th ; December 31 st , January – 1 st .	Elizabeth River, Southern Branch, Norfolk, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Elizabeth River Southern Branch in an area bound by the following points: latitude 36°50′54.8″ N., longitude 076°18′10.7″ W.; thence to latitude 36°51′7.9″ N., longitude 076°18′01″ W.; thence to latitude 36°50′45.6″ N., longitude 076°17′44.2″ W.; thence to latitude 36°50′49.6″ N., longitude 076°17′23.2″ W.; thence to latitude 36°50′7.7″ N., longitude 076°17′32.3″ W.; thence to latitude 36°49′58″ N., longitude 076°17′28.6″ W.; thence to latitude 36°49′52.6″ N., longitude 076°17′43.8″ W.; thence to latitude 36°50′27.2″ N., longitude 076°17′43.8″ W.; thence to the point of origin.
8.	July – 3 rd Saturday.	John H. Kerr Reservoir, Clarksville, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of John H. Kerr Reservoir within a 400 yard radius of approximate position latitude 36°37′51″ N., longitude 078°32′50″ W., located near the center span of the State Route 15 Highway Bridge.
9.	June, July, August, and September– every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. July 4 th .	North Atlantic Ocean, Virginia Beach, VA, Safety Zone. A	All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 1000 yard radius of the center located near the shoreline at approximate position latitude 36°51′12″ N., longitude 075°58′06″ W., located off the beach between 17 th and 31 st streets.
10.	September – last Saturday or October – 1 st Saturday.	North Atlantic Ocean, VA Beach, VA, Safety Zone. B	All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 350 yard radius of approximate position latitude 36°50′35″ N., longitude 075°58′09″ W., located on the 14 th Street Fishing Pier.
11.	Friday, Saturday and Sunday Labor Day Weekend.	North Atlantic Ocean, VA Beach, VA, Safety Zone. C	All waters of the North Atlantic Ocean within a 350 yard radius of approximate position latitude 36°49′55″ N., longitude 075°58′00″ W., located off the beach between 2 nd and 6 th streets.
12.	July 4 th .	Nansemond River, Suffolk, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Nansemond River within a 350 yard radius of approximate position latitude 36°44′27″ N., longitude 076°34′42″ W., located near Constant's Wharf in Suffolk, VA.
13.	July 4 th .	Chickahominy River, Williamsburg, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Chickahominy River within a 400 yard radius of the fireworks display in approximate position latitude 37°14′50″ N., longitude 076°52′17″ W., near Barrets Point, Virginia.
14.	July – 3 rd , 4 th and 5 th .	Great Wicomico River, Mila, VA, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Great Wicomico River located within a 420 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 37°50′31″ N., longitude 076°19′42″ W. near Mila, Virginia.
15.	July – 1 st Friday, Saturday and Sunday.	Cockrell's Creek, Reedville, VA, Safety Zone	All waters of Cockrell's Creek located within a 420 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 37°49′54″ N., longitude 076°16′44″ W. near Reedville, Virginia.
16.	May – last Sunday.	James River, Richmond, VA, Safety Zone	All waters of the James River located within a 420 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 37°31′13.1″ N., longitude 077°25′07.84″ W. near Richmond, Virginia.

17.	June – last Saturday.	Rappahannock River, Tappahannock, VA, Safety Zone	All waters of the Rappahannock River located within a 400 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 37°55′12″ N., longitude 076°49′12″ W. near Tappahannock, Virginia.
18.	July 4 th , August – 1 st Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and December 31 st	Cape Charles Harbor, Cape Charles, VA, Safety Zone	All waters of Cape Charles Harbor located within a 375 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 37°15′46.5″ N., longitude 076°01′30.3″ W. near Cape Charles, Virginia.
19.	July 3 rd or 4 th .	Pagan River, Smithfield, VA, Safety Zone	All waters of the Pagan River located within a 420 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 36°59′18″ N., longitude 076°37′45″ W. near Smithfield, Virginia.
20.	July 4 th .	Sandbridge Shores, Virginia Beach, VA, Safety Zone	All waters of Sandbridge Shores located within a 300 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 36°43′24.9″ N., longitude 075°56′24.9″ W. near Virginia Beach, Virginia.
21.	July 4 th , 5 th or 6 th .	Chesapeake Bay, Virginia Beach, VA, Safety Zone	All waters of Chesapeake Bay located within a 600 foot radius of the fireworks display at approximate position latitude 36°54′58.18″ N., longitude 076°06′44.3″ W. near Virginia Beach, Virginia.
22.	July 3 rd , 4 th and 5 th .	Urbanna Creek, Urbanna, VA; Safety Zone	All waters of Urbanna Creek within a 350 foot radius of the fireworks launch site at latitude 37°38'09" N., longitude 076°34'03" W., located on land near the east shoreline of Urbanna Creek and south of Bailey Point.
23.	April – August, every Friday and Saturday; July 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th and 5 th ; last Sunday in August; and Friday, Saturday and Sunday of Labor day weekend.	Elizabeth River Eastern Branch, Norfolk, VA; Safety Zone.	All waters of the Eastern Branch of Elizabeth River within the area along the shoreline immediately adjacent to Harbor Park Stadium ball park and outward into the river bound by a line drawn from latitude 36°50'29.65" N., longitude 076°16'48.9" W., thence south to 36°50'28.79" N., longitude 076°16'49.12" W., thence east to 36°50'26.74" N., longitude 076°16'39.54" W., thence north to 36°50'27.7" N., longitude 076°16'39.36" W. terminating at the SW corner of Harbor Park finger pier.

	(d.) Coast Guard Sector North Carolina - COTP Zone				
No.	Enforcement period(s) 1	Location	Safety Zone - regulated area		
1.	July 4 th ; October – 1 st Saturday.	Morehead City Harbor Channel, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Morehead City Harbor Channel that fall within a 360 yard radius of latitude 34°43'01" N., longitude 076°42'59.6" W., a position located at the west end of Sugar Loaf Island, NC.		
2.	April – 2 nd Saturday; July 4 th ; August – 3 rd Monday; October – 1 st Saturday.	Cape Fear River, Wilmington, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Cape Fear River within an area bound by a line drawn from the following points: latitude 34°13′54″ N., longitude 077°57′06″ W.; thence northeast to latitude 34°13′57″ N., longitude 077°57′05″ W.; thence north to latitude 34°14′11″ N., longitude 077°57′07″ W.; thence northwest to latitude 34°14′22″ N., longitude 077°57′19″ W.; thence east to latitude 34°14′22″ N., longitude 077°57′06″ W.; thence southeast to latitude 34°14′07″ N., longitude 077°57′06″ W.; thence southeast to latitude 34°14′07″ N., longitude 077°57′00″ W.; thence to the point of origin, located approximately 500 yards north of Cape Fear Memorial Bridge.		
3.	July 1 st Saturday and July 4 th .	Green Creek and Smith Creek, Oriental, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of Green Creek and Smith Creek that fall within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks launch site at latitude 35°01′29.6″ N., longitude 076°42′10.4″ W., located near the entrance to the Neuse River in the vicinity of Oriental, NC.		
4.	July 4 th .	Pasquotank River, Elizabeth City, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Pasquotank River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks launch barge in approximate position latitude 36°17'47" N., longitude 076°12'17" W., located approximately 400 yards north of Cottage Point, NC.		

5.	July 4 th , or July 5 th .	Currituck Sound, Corolla, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Currituck Sound within a 300 yard
			radius of the fireworks launch site in approximate position latitude 36°22′23.8″ N., longitude 075°49′56.3″ W., located near Whale Head Bay.
6.	July 4 th ; November – 3 rd Saturday.	Middle Sound, Figure Eight Island, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Figure Eight Island Causeway Channel from latitude 34°16′32″ N., longitude 077°45′32″ W., thence east along the marsh to a position located at latitude 34°16′19″ N., longitude 077°44′55″ W., thence south to the causeway at position latitude 34°16′16″ N., longitude 077°44′58″ W., thence west along the shoreline to position latitude 34°16′29″ N., longitude 077°45′34″ W., thence back to the point of origin.
7.	June – 2 nd Saturday; July 4 th .	Pamlico River, Washington, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of Pamlico River and Tar River within a 300 yard radius of latitude 35°32′25″ N., longitude 077°03′42″ W., a position located on the southwest shore of the Pamlico River, Washington, NC
8.	July 4 th .	Neuse River, New Bern, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Neuse River within a 360 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 35°06′07.1″ N., longitude 077°01′35.8″ W.; located 420 yards north of the New Bern, Twin Span, high-rise bridge.
9.	July 4 th .	Edenton Bay, Edenton, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters within a 300 yard radius of position latitude 36°03′04″ N., longitude 076°36′18″ W., approximately 150 yards south of the entrance to Queen Anne Creek, Edenton, NC.
10.	July 4 th . November – Saturday following Thanksgiving Day.	Motts Channel, Banks Channel, Wrightsville Beach, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of Motts Channel within a 500 yard radius of the fireworks launch site in approximate position latitude 34°12′29″ N., longitude 077°48′27″ W., approximately 560 yards south of Sea Path Marina, Wrightsville Beach, NC.
11.	July 4 th .	Cape Fear River, Southport, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the Cape Fear River within a 600 yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position latitude 33°54′40″ N., longitude 078°01′18″ W., approximately 700 yards south of the waterfront at Southport, NC.
12.	July 4 th .	Big Foot Slough, Ocracoke, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of Big Foot Slough within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks launch site in approximate position latitude 35°06′54″ N., longitude 075°59′24″ W., approximately 100 yards west of the Silver Lake Entrance Channel at Ocracoke, NC.
13.	August – 1 st Tuesday.	New River, Jacksonville, NC, Safety Zone.	All waters of the New River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks launch site in approximate position latitude 34°44′45″ N., longitude 077°26′18″ W., approximately one half mile south of the Hwy 17 Bridge, Jacksonville, North Carolina.
14.	July 4 th .	Pantego Creek, Belhaven, NC, Safety Zone	All waters on the Pantego Creek within a 600 foot radius of the launch site on land at position 35°32′35″ N., 076°37′46″ W.
15.	July 4 th .	Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Swansboro, NC, Safety Zone	All waters of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway within a 300 yard radius of approximate position latitude 34°41′02″ N., longitude 077°07′04″ W., located on Pelican Island.
16.	September – 4 th or last Saturday.	Shallowbag Bay, Manteo, NC; Safety Zone	All waters of Shallowbag Bay within a 200 yard radius of a fireworks barge anchored at latitude 35°54'31" N., longitude 075°39'42" W.
17.	May – 3 rd Saturday.	Pasquotank River; Elizabeth City, NC; Safety Zone	All waters of the Pasquotank River within a 300 yard radius of the fireworks barge at latitude 36°17'47" N., longitude 076°12'17" W., located north of Cottage Point at the shoreline of the Pasquotank River.

18.	October – 2 nd Saturday.	Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Bogue Inlet,	All waters of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway within a
		Swansboro, NC; Safety Zone	300 yard radius of the fireworks launch site at latitude
			34°41'02" N., longitude 077°07'04" W., located at Bogue
			Inlet, near Swansboro, NC.

¹As noted in paragraph (d) of this section, the enforcement period for each of the listed safety zones is subject to change.

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